

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT OF REGIONAL GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS, IMPLEMENTED BY INDIVIDUAL ENTITIES AS APPROPRIATE, AS DEVELOPED BY THE WATER RESOURCES PROTECTION COLLABORATIVE FOR THE PLANNING AND PERMIT REGULATION FOR THE PROTECTION OF WATER RESOURCES WITHIN SANTA CLARA COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD), along with representatives of the County of Santa Clara, the fifteen cities in Santa Clara County, the Guadalupe-Coyote Resource Conservation District, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Board, various business and development interests, property owners and environmental, agricultural and community interests have formed and are members of the Water Resources Protection Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, all Collaborative members share the watershed resource protection goals of flood management, drinking water quality and quantity, surface and groundwater quality and quantity, and habitat protection and enhancement; and

WHEREAS, the SCVWD, cities and county are committed to furthering these goals through the adoption of land development guidelines and standards jointly developed with other stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish these goals, the Collaborative recognizes the importance of private creek side owners' interests, monitoring and accountability, and delineation of responsibility for administering mutually agreed-upon policy, guidelines, and standards to which SCVWD, county and municipal activities, and permit review, shall conform; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the SCVWD, cities and county, through implementation of their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit, best management practices and other means, have continuously acted to protect the watersheds and water quality in Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that local control is the key principle to the implementation of resource protection goals, and that Cities and the County are the primary jurisdictions for land use planning and land use permit regulation, and that the broader stakeholder community has a central role in local stewardship and enhanced resource protection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUNNYVALE that the Council ratifies and supports the above foundational principles of the Water Resources Protection Collaborative.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City supports the following specific components of the Collaborative agreement:

1. The City of Sunnyvale shall work toward incorporating the appropriate proposed guidelines and standards and the proposed implementing tools into their land use processes by February of 2007.
2. Commitment for appropriate levels of participation in the Adaptive Management Process.
3. Commitment for participation in the Early Consultation of projects with SCVWD, as appropriate.
4. Commitment for continued attendance by City of Sunnyvale members of the Collaborative at quarterly meetings through February of 2007.

Adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on _____, 2005, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk
(SEAL)

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Joan A. Borger, Acting City Attorney